

CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Doings of the World at Large Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

One aviator was killed at Paris and one at Sebastopol Tuesday.

President Taft will be officially informed of his nomination August 1.

Prospects of a huge wheat crop are sending the prices down in the Chicago markets.

Lorimer has decided to go back to Chicago and go to work. He may seek re-election.

President Taft sent a message of congratulation to the American athletes at Stockholm.

England's protest against the proposed Panama bill finds considerable support in the senate.

Two Klamath fishermen claim a trout weighing 11 pounds jumped into their boat on Lake Ewauna.

Three women bathers were drowned near Santa Cruz, Cal., while one of them was trying to save the other two.

The United States circuit court of appeals has decided that an Indian tribal marriage according to rites of the tribe is a legal marriage.

More Pullman cars were taken to and from Portland during the Elks convention week than were handled at Los Angeles during the convention in that city in 1909.

The United States court has limited the liability of the steamer San Pedro to \$16,500 for sinking the steamer Columbia off the California coast in 1907, when 80 lives were lost.

A woman rancher in California was bitten by a rattlesnake while irrigating her alfalfa field. She killed the snake and then walked a mile to her house and applied home remedies.

Hetty Green, the richest woman in the world, has joined the church at the age of 78 years.

Denver authorities turned down a bill for autos used to haul voters to the polls.

Canal tolls issue leads to protest from England, and a diplomatic struggle is on.

Puyallup valley, Washington, is calling loudly for harvest hands and berry pickers.

Two women were killed and a third badly injured by being run down by a Milwaukee train near Seattle.

Burglars stole some wine and several boxes of cigars from the residence of Bishop Scannell, in Omaha.

A plague of gnats hit Wenatchee, Wash., and surrounding country, many horses being seriously injured by the pests.

A three-hours' conference has been arranged between Champ Clark and his successful rival for the Democratic nomination.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Fresh Fruits—Cherries, 2@10¢ per pound; apples, old, \$1.50@3 per box; new, \$1.50@1.75; peaches, 55@75¢; currants, \$1.50@1.75; plums, 90¢@1.25; pears, \$1.75@2; apricots, \$1.25; grapes, \$2.50 per crate.

Berries—Raspberries, \$1.50 per crate; loganberries, \$1.25@1.50; black caps, \$1.50.

Melons—Cantaloupes, \$2.75 crate; watermelons, 1@12¢ per pound.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 65@75¢ per dozen; beans, 8@9¢ per pound; cabbage, 1@1½¢; cauliflower, \$1.25 per dozen; celery, \$5@6 per crate; corn, 30¢ per dozen; cucumbers, \$1 per box; eggplant, 25¢ per pound; head lettuce, 12¢ dozen; peas, 8@9¢ pound; peppers, 12@15¢; radishes, 15@20¢ dozen; spinach, 4@5¢ pound; garlic, 8@10¢; carrots, \$1.75 sack; turnips, \$1.25.

Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Burbanks, old, \$1@1.25 per hundred; new, per pound, 14@15¢.

Onions—California red, \$1.25 sack; yellow, \$1.50.

Wheat—Track prices: Bluestem, 88@89¢; club, 84@85¢; red Russian, 84@85¢; valley, 84@85¢; 40-fold, 84@85¢.

Hay—Timothy, \$14@16.50; alfalfa, \$1.25; clover, \$10; oats and vetch, \$12; grain hay, \$9.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$25.50 ton; shorts, \$26; middlings, \$32.

Corn—Whole, \$39; cracked, \$40 ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$34@35 ton.

Eggs—Case count, 24¢; candled, 25¢; extras, 27¢.

Butter—Oregon creamery, cubes, or solid pack, 28¢ pound; prints, 29¢.

Pork—Fancy, 10@10½¢ pound.

Veal—Fancy, 13@13½¢ pound.

Poultry—Hens, 12¢ pound; broilers, 17@17½¢; ducks, young, 10@11¢; geese, 10@11¢; turkeys, live, 18¢; dressed, 24@25¢.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.75@7; good, \$6@6.50; medium, \$5.75@6; choice cows, \$5.75@6.25; good, \$5@5.50; medium, \$4.50@5; choice calves, \$7@8.25; good heavy calves, \$6@6.50; bulls, \$3.50@5.10; stags, \$4.75@6.

Hogs—Light, \$8@8.35; heavy, \$6.25@7.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$3@4.25; wethers, \$3.90@4.50; ewes, \$3@3.75; lambs, \$4.50@5.60.

POLICEMAN WINS MARATHON.

Greatest Event of Olympiad Goes to South Africa.

Stockholm—South Africa, which heretofore has played a modest part in this Olympic drama, came to the center of the stage at the moment of its culmination, winning the marathon race, the most important number on the Olympic program. This might have been honor enough for a small nation, but South Africa also won second place by a secure lead.

The winner of the classical marathon was K. K. McArthur, a tall Transvaal policeman. His compatriot, C. W. Gitshaw, came second into the stadium several hundred yards behind, and third to appear was the American, Graston Strobino, of South Paterson Athletic club, who put up a braver fight than most of the runners, for his feet were skinned and bleeding and he was suffering great pain.

He never lost his nerve, though, and made a brave attempt at feeling happy while he traversed the stadium track a furlong behind the second man at the end of the performance.

The Americans gave a death blow to the theory that the athletes of the United States are better at contests which require quickness and agility than in tests of endurance.

While 3000 spectators in the stadium strained their eyes toward the archway from under which the runners emerged, they saw the American shield on the breasts of six of the first ten men who entered.

START HAZARDOUS TRIP.

Four Americans to Cross Atlantic in Small Motor Boat.

New York—Thomas Fleming Day, who last year navigated the 21-foot yawl Seabird across the Atlantic from Providence to Gibraltar with two companions on board, started from New Rochelle harbor on another long and venturesome voyage. He is trying to take the 35-foot motor boat Detroit to Queenstown and incidentally will try to make a new record for motorboats across the ocean. The record now is 55 days, made in 1904.

Accompanying Mr. Day are Charles C. Earle, who is mate, and W. Newstead and Walter Morton, both from Detroit, who are engineers.

The Detroit is 5 feet long, 9 feet 6 inches beam, and 5 feet 6 inches draft. She is equipped with a two-cylinder, 16-horse-power Scripps motor, which will drive the yacht seven miles an hour. She carries 1200 gallons of gasoline in seven steel tanks.

The yacht carries 200 gallons of fresh water and stores for 90 days. She is fitted with a small rig for use in case of accident to the engine.

After reaching Queenstown the Detroit will proceed to England. She will sail up the English channel to the North sea, then to the Baltic and on to St. Petersburg.

ICE ENDANGERS TROOPS.

Sixteenth Infantry Safe in America After Thrilling Experience.

Tacoma—After having narrowly escaped being sent to the bottom by the ice floes encountered in Behring Sea, the United States army transport Sheridan arrived in Tacoma with the Sixteenth United States Infantry regiment.

The men aboard told of their thrilling escape from death when caught in the grip of the ice in Northern seas.

For seven days, off St. Lawrence Island, to the west of Norton sound, en route to Nome, the Sheridan lay icebound, making but 90 miles in this time. For 48 hours her captain, Mike Healy, and Pilot Krarasky watched on the bridge of the ship and at times the captain stood on the prow, directing the slow advance of the ship through tremendous ice floes.

The enlisted men embarked endured untold hardships from cold, the steaming facilities of the Sheridan being inadequate, and two died of pneumonia en route. The officers of the Sixteenth regiment aboard the transport, returning to the United States, have presented Captain Healy with a loving cup. The Sheridan is en route to San Francisco.

Line is Drawn on I. W. W.

San Diego, Cal.—For the first time in several weeks Industrial Workers and their sympathizers attempted to hold an outdoor meeting on a street just outside of the restricted district. Police appeared and forced the crowd to move on. One man resisted and was arrested. Acting Chief of Police Meyers says the Socialists and other organizations may speak in the streets outside the restricted district, but that Industrial Workers may not because they are deemed anarchists whose speeches are likely to cause a riot.

One is Killed in Wreck.

Fargo, N. D.—One man was killed and several passengers are said to have been injured when the Oriental Limited, the Great Northern's fast Pacific Coast train, was wrecked at Ashby, a small station 74 miles east of here. The cars left the track and rolled over an embankment. They then took fire and six of them were consumed. All passengers were removed from the cars before the fire started.

Chinese Ministers Quit.

Pekin—The minister of finance, Hsiung Hai Ling, and four other ministers, have resigned. The finance minister is retiring to devote himself to the rehabilitation of the financial situation. He, together with the premier and Chose Tszchi, comprise a special committee to deal with foreign loans.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE

INTERESTED IN OREGON.

Southern Pacific Will Invest \$8,000,000 in This State.

Portland—"It is only because the conditions in Oregon warrant vast railway expenditures and improvements that the Southern Pacific has planned to spend upwards of \$8,000,000 within the next few years," declared President William Sproule, of the Southern Pacific company, at a luncheon given in his honor by the board of governors of the Commercial club.

"It is very natural," said President Sproule, "that in appropriating money for investment in this state there must be a justification. I am in the city on official business, which is the general cause of my coming here or going elsewhere. The situation in Oregon in relation to the Southern Pacific is one of peculiar interest to myself because the question of what should be done here in respect to developments are put up to me. It is on my own recommendation that things are done. In assuming responsibility for the large investments and appropriations in Oregon there of course is something to justify it.

"The railroad business is the same as all other business conducted on legitimate lines. The man who puts his money into it must be assured of a reasonable return on his investment, or at least the same return as is realized from other lines of business. Money is not placed into railroad projects unless there is a fair prospect of returns on the investment, and for that reason we must have something to go on before we can place the money we have to spend in development and improvements of railway facilities.

"Our confidence in Oregon is very apparent in our announced intention of making expenditures here. All we ask in return is for the co-operation of your business people to make possible the returns which we have to have. It is the ambition of my worthy corps of officials over the Oregon lines of the company to have the support of every community."

HOOD RIVER CLUB FORMED.

West Side Ranchers Will Co-operate for Mutual Improvement.

Hood River—A lively interest is being taken by the residents of the West Side of the Hood River in a series of discussions tending to create a greater diversity of industries in the district. The organization of West Side ranchers, known as the West Side Improvement club, has arranged for a number of talks to be given in the near future, when the cultivating season is over and the citizens have leisure.

Among the topics to be discussed are such subjects as "Hog Raising in the Orchard," "Poultry," "Garden Truck" and "Cover Crops." "It is the aim of the club," said one of its members, "to have every orchardist produce his own garden truck, his poultry and his own milk."

The club is also planning for a Chautauqua, to last about a week, in the cool region of the upper valley, where the ranchers and their families will repair to enjoy the fishing of the district and to discuss matters of interest among themselves.

Hawthorne is Appointed.

Klamath Falls—Irrigation matters always receive instant attention in this dry region. Thomas Hawthorne, of Eugene, for several years in the reclamation service at Umatilla and on Klamath projects, has been appointed state engineer on the Paisley project, which is under the Carey act. The Warner and Chewaucan valleys contain much of the best sage land in this region and that section will be on the railroad when it is extended north from Lakeview. Paisley is about 100 miles northeast from Klamath Falls. An irrigation enterprise nearer home is in the Antelope valley, 15 miles northeast from this city.

Jackrabbit Bounty Fixed.

Burns—The Harney county court has determined to place a bounty of 2 cents per head on jackrabbits. The system under which this bounty will be paid will relieve the county clerk's office of the necessity of counting scalps. Rabbit drives will be organized in different localities and those participating will appoint a committee authorized to count and certify to the number killed and upon this certificate the bounty will be paid, the money to be used in paying the expenses of the drives.

Gooseberries Show Good Profit.

Salem—Gooseberries in Polk county hills are good money-makers, according to a report of L. D. Gibson, who lives on the Oak Grove road a few miles from Salem. He is owner of an acre and one-half of gooseberries which brought him a check for \$617.10 for 30,855 pounds, or a net sum of practically \$500 for the patch. So fortunate has he been with the crop that he has set out two and one-half acres more.

Hood River Camping Point.

Hood River—The midsummer camping season has begun here. Many Portland people have joined the local vacationists in seeking an outing in the foothills at the base of Mount Hood. Numerous camps have been established in the Lost Lake region, where excellent fishing is to be found, and many visitors are passing through the valley to and from Cloud Cap Inn.

CLEMENT HITS OREGON.

Lack of Corporation Law Cause of "Crookedness."

Salem—That Oregon is the stamping ground for crooked promoters from other states, who make it a practice to come here to organize fake companies because the laws of Oregon do not give the state authority to look into the affairs of corporations is one of the declarations made by E. C. Clement, United States postoffice inspector.

Among other things, he told of one person alone who was fleeced of \$40,000 by the Columbia River Orchards Trust company, in which these companies deliberately led him into a trap to secure the money and branding him as a "sucker" in letters which passed back and forth between those interested.

"I am now on the trail of certain men who did not dare organize in the state where they live, but have come to Oregon to file their papers and have already floated millions of dollars of worthless stock all over the West," he declared.

"The Columbia River Orchards company affairs furnishes a good illustration of the way in which grafters flock to this state to float their crooked enterprises. These people had to have a dummy corporation to act as a trustee. They couldn't organize it under the laws of Washington, so they came to Portland and organized the Oregon-Washington Trust company under the laws of Oregon. This company was supposed to hold \$125 worth of securities for every \$100 worth of the obligation of the Columbia River Orchards company. When the crash came it developed that their alleged securities were absolutely worthless. Even the office furniture was not paid for and the stenographer was cheated out of her salary. The public was fleeced out of about two and a quarter millions of dollars on this graft, which would not have been possible if there had been a state law providing for the supervision of corporations, such as the proposed blue-sky law, which I earnestly hope may be adopted. I do not know of anything that would be of greater benefit to honest corporations than some such act to give the state control of crooked promoters and corporations."

TARIFFS PLACED ON FILE.

Roads Named on Which Interchangeable Books Are Good.

Salem—Tariffs for the new interchangeable mileage books have been filed with the State Railroad commission, to become effective August 15.

The mileage books will be good at the rate of one coupon a mile on the following roads: Camas Prairie; Chicago, Milwaukee Puget Sound; Corvallis & Eastern; Idaho, Washington & Northern; Northern Pacific; Oregon Electric; Oregon Trunk; O. W. R. & N.; P. R. & N.; Port Townsend Southern; Salem, Falls City & Western; Spokane & Inland; Spokane International; S. P. & S.; Southern Pacific in Oregon, including towns on Klamath Falls branch via Weed, Cal.; Tacoma & Eastern, and Washington, Idaho & Montana.

The roads on which mileage from mileage books will be accepted on the basis of the local fare are as follows: Coeur d'Alene & St. Joe Transportation company, Great Northern in British Columbia on local lines, Pacific & Eastern, Reid Transportation company, and United Railways.

Brook Trout Planted.

Portland—The work of stocking Oregon streams with brook trout is going forward rapidly. Ten cans of trout fry were taken down the river to be liberated in streams near Scappoose. The work of distributing these fish is being shared by members of the Multnomah Anglers' club. Cans of fish are being transported to various points in automobiles belonging to club members. Another shipment of Eastern trout is soon to be taken into the mountains of the Cascade range for liberation in the lakes.

Fair to Get New Buildings.

Astoria—At the meeting of the board of directors of the Lower Columbia Fair association, the bid of Fred Elliott & Son, of Gearhart, for the erection of four of the exhibit buildings was accepted and President G. L. Rees was authorized to enter into a contract with them at once. The buildings are to be completed by September 1. Mr. Rees was also appointed to arrange for the clearing of the grounds.

"Business Form" is Lost.

Oregon City—The business form of government proposed for Oregon City in place of the present councilmanic form, was voted down at a special election by a vote of 342 to 65. Likewise the proposed bond issue to the amount of \$17,000 to erect a municipal elevator to take the place of the long staircases leading up to the residence section, was voted down by 222 to 175.

Hawley Secures New Route.

Salem—After repeatedly having the proposal to establish rural route No. 7 from Oregon City rejected, Representative Hawley continued to collect facts and arguments from the people living along the Willamette river on the Clackamas county side, opposite the town of Willamette, and has at last secured a favorable decision from the department permitting the desired service.

DETAIN AMERICAN CONSUL.

Armed Rebel Guard Posted at Conference in Juarez.

Juarez—Twenty-five Americans, including American Consul Edwards, were held in the office of the Mexican Northwestern railway here for nearly two hours while an armed guard of rebels prevented them from leaving the building.

Rebel officials had become angered at the officers of the Mexican Northwestern over a \$5000 check payable to the rebels as export duty on a consignment of gold ore by the American Smelting & Refining company in Chihuahua. The shipment had arrived in El Paso, but when the rebels attempted to cash the \$5000 check, the banks in El Paso refused payment. After the check was given, the Federalists had entered Chihuahua City and it is believed that the American Smelting & Refining company stopped payment on it, knowing that the rebels, because of their retreat, would be unable to trouble them further.

Consul Edwards went to the Northwestern offices to confer with H. C. Ferris, general manager of the road, Thomas Ryan, traffic manager, and C. T. Carson, general auditor. The officials were in conference at 5 o'clock when they suddenly found the doors of the building surrounded by armed men.

Consul Edwards telephoned for Colonel Pascual Orozco, Sr., head of the garrison, who arrived in a few minutes and ordered the guards to release all minor employes. The officers of the road were held. After a brief conference the American consul left, but the railroad officials were closeted with Orozco until 7 o'clock, when they were released and crossed to the American side. It was said they had agreed to make the check good.

ELKS HAVE GRAND PARADE.

Illuminated Floats, Autos and Bands Cover Five-Mile Course.

Portland—Pronounced by 250,000 people, the great majority of whom were visitors, as the most imposing and elaborate electrical pageant they had ever witnessed, the Elks' electrical parade Tuesday night moved over its five-mile course accompanied by the unstinted applause of an enraptured multitude.

The streets covered by the parade were congested for their entire length with a solid mass of bustling, good-natured humanity that entered fully into the festive spirit of the occasion. It was an occasion on which Portland people in their role of hosts made way for their guests who, being unable to secure seats in any of the spacious grandstands, were permitted to occupy all of the desirable vantage points from which to enjoy the magnificence of the pageant which was designed exclusively for their entertainment.

Included in the parade, which was headed by Police Captain Moore and a squad of mounted patrolmen, were 18 gorgeously decorated floats and nine bands, automobiles carrying the grand lodge officers and the commissioners of Portland Lodge No. 142. The parade moved shortly before 9 o'clock and completed its second circuit of Fifth and Washington to Morrison streets an hour and a half later.

OUTRAGES PROBED.

United States Sends Investigators Into Rubber Country.

Washington, D. C.—A repetition of the horrors of the Congo rubber industry among the native rubber gatherers of Peru is the cause of a dangerous mission which the State department sent up the Amazon river in the interest of humanity.

Acting Secretary Wilson has received information that Captain Stuart Fuller, one of the department's most trusted agents, had arrived at Iquitos, 2000 miles up the Amazon, on his way to the wild stretch of country to learn the facts.

Reports indicate the existence of conditions below the equator that paralleled the outrages in the Congo country, where natives were forced by tortures and mutilations to collect certain quantities of rubber for Belgian and other concessions.

The concessionaire in Peru is asserted to be a British corporation. British representatives and the British government disclosed the charges against this corporation. The State department, although no American citizens are involved, consulted with British officials and others interested in the welfare of those natives, and made strong representations to the Peruvian government, securing pledges that the obnoxious conditions would be terminated.

Postal Bonds in Demand.

Washington, D. C.—Information made public by Postmaster General Hitchcock shows that postal savings depositors in Oregon applied on July 1 for \$5460 of the third issue of postal savings bonds. More than \$3000 of the total amount applied for are registered, indicating that they are being purchased as permanent investments.

With respect to the amount of the bonds applied for Portland leads other cities of the state with \$4560, and following in order are Astoria, \$900, and Roseburg and Sumpter \$500 each.

Warship Repairs Cost \$15,000.

Washington, D. C.—Naval constructor Baxter, who went from Boston navy yard to Newport to investigate the accident to the battleship New Hampshire, which collided with the liner Commonwealth, reported that temporary repairs on the warship would put her in condition to proceed under her own steam to the New York navy yard, where permanent repairs can be made at an estimated cost of \$15,000 in about two weeks.

DENVER HIT BY RAGING FLOOD

Two Known Dead and Property Loss in Millions.

Notorious Cherry Creek Goes On Rampage, Flooding City and Stopping All Trains.

Denver, Colo.—A wall of water 25 feet high, carrying death and destruction with it, swept down Cherry creek here Sunday night, ripped open the concrete walls and in a twinkling had marooned hundreds of persons. Two persons are known to have been drowned.

Mayor Arnold stated that the property damage would reach at least \$2,000,000.

"Anything like an accurate estimate of the damage would be out of the question for several days," said Mayor Arnold. "Thus far we have learned of only two deaths from drowning, but there may be several more."

An infant boy was drowned when his mother, terror-stricken and up to her waist in water, dropped the babe and the little boy was swept down the stream.

The second known death was that of 8-year-old Christopher Jensen. The boy was standing on the bank watching the rushing water when the bank caved in and he was carried to his death. At Longmont, south of Denver, and at Cripple creek and Victor, northwest of here, the rain fell heavily, blocking traffic.

Word of the Cherry creek flood was conveyed to the city hall by telephone shortly before the crest reached Denver, and not a moment was lost in warning those within reach. The fact that the message was received early was the means of saving perhaps hundreds of lives.

Near the banks of Cherry creek dwellings crumbled like paper, and many hair-breadth escapes occurred. A number were rescued from the tops of houses.

The South Platte was at flood stage from the rains and when the crest of the Cherry creek overflow reached the river the Platte overflowed its banks to the northeast of the city.

Castledown dam, near the headwaters of Cherry creek, about 15 miles from Denver, has been weakened almost to the bursting point, and should the dam go out it would be difficult to predict what the extent of damage would be.

The torrential rain began about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and soon afterward the water was above the curbing in the business district, flooding stores and hotels. In the lower sections of the city families were driven from their homes.

The crest of the flood in Cherry creek did not reach here until nearly 10 o'clock, coming as a climax to the floods of the afternoon.

Not a train left Denver Sunday night and none from any direction arrived. Trains from the south were stopped three miles southwest of the city.

FAST MAIL WRECKS EXPRESS TRAIN, KILLING 13

Chicago—Thirteen persons were killed, eight of them women, and more than 40 were injured in a wreck on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad at Western Springs, a suburb of Chicago, at 6:30 a. m. Sunday.

Coming through a fog with supposedly a clear track, train No. 8, a fast mail, ran full speed into the rear of train No. 2, known as the Overland Express, from Denver, which was standing still on the track, telescoping two of the Overland's Pullman cars.

Railroad officials refused to fix the blame until after the wreck has been investigated thoroughly. Mrs. F. A. Wilcox, who was in charge of the tower from which the block signals were controlled, said she was certain the block was thrown against both trains.

Archbald Case to Wait.

Washington, D. C.—It is practically determined that the Archbald impeachment case will not be tried by the senate this summer. This indicates an earlier adjournment of congress than seemed possible a few days ago. The delay is said to be in accordance with the wishes of Judge Archbald. It was arranged that the senate should be notified of the house resolution of impeachment and that the managers should formally appear next week to demand trial. The approaching political campaign favored a postponement.

Gamblers Overlook T. R.

Chicago—Theodore Roosevelt has not even "showed" on "Jim" O'Leary's book yet. The stockyard bet-taker has the Oyster Bay candidate still in the "field." Wilson is the favorite, with Taft second. O'Leary's odds are as follows: Wilson, 4 to 5; Taft, 6 to 5; Chafin, 2000 to 1; the field, 5 to 1. The book is doing a good business in small wagers, according to O'Leary. Wilson money is abundant, but little "T. R." coin.

Allen Jurors Disagree.

Wytheville, Va.—The jury in the case of Claude Allen, one of the members of the Allen gang, charged with the assassination of court officers at Hillsville, Va., report that an agreement was impossible. The jury was discharged, and another venire was ordered summoned for a new trial.